

REMARKS

In the Official Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 3–7, and 9–23 pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) in view of Goddard (U.S. Patent No. 6,684,240). Dependent Claims 2 and 8 were rejected pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) in view of Goddard and Kawamura (U.S. Patent No. 6,535,688). The Goddard reference relates to the blocking programs based on the type of program content. It does not relate to the display of a plurality of program type identifiers or whether one or more of the program type identifiers correspond to a program.

Applicant has amended the claims 1, 3, 7, 13, and 15 for clarification. The claims as amended require that program type identifiers are displayed and that one of more program type identifiers are identified as being valid or invalid.

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner grant early allowance of this application. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorneys for the Applicant via telephone if such communication would expedite this application.

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